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● TRIP BROCHURE · POCKET

BECOME UNBOOKABLE

~ Banana Pancake Trail, 2026 ~



★ THAILAND

★ LAOS

★ VIETNAM

★ CAMBODIA

● 21 + 9 DAYS · 4 COUNTRIES · 0 FLIGHTS

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● A READING, BEFORE YOU COMMIT

SO YOU MESSAGED US.

Ekkis din. Char desh: Thailand, Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia. Zero flights, twelve cohort-mates, one Subodh out front.

You and eleven other Indians, sleeping on trains, eating off carts, learning to nod when an aunty in Pakbeng tells you something important in a language none of you speak.

● THE SACRED NUMBERS

21DAYS ·
TASTER**30**

DAYS · FULL

12

MAX COHORT

4

COUNTRIES

0

FLIGHTS

1SUBODH, END
TO END

◎ THE ROUTE • BOTH LOOPS

THE TRAIL, DRAWN BY HAND.

- 21-day taster • BKK → Siem Reap
- 30-day extension • onward to Saigon
- Train • sleeper bus • slow boat • ferry



~ not to scale, naturally ~

◎ BANGKOK → CHIANG MAI

THE BANGKOK START.

DAY 01

TH · BKK

The Bangkok inception

Check in to a social hostel near Khao San. Evening ice-breaker walk through the neon street-food chaos. Aunty's already worried.

DAY 02

TH · BKK

Temples, river & Chinatown

Wat Pho, Wat Arun, ferry to ICONSIAM. River ferry into Chinatown for a streetfood safari. Sukhumvit nightlife after dark.

DAY 03

★ SLEEPER TRAIN

Midnight express north

Evening van to Krung Thep Aphiwat. Board the #9 AC sleeper at 18:40. Wake up in Chiang Mai.

MOVE · 12.5H

DAY 04

TH · CNX

Doi Suthep & Walking St.

Red-truck to Old Town. Scoot the mountain road to Wat Phra That Doi Suthep. Evening Walking Street.

★ SCOOTER

◎ CHIANG MAI → THE MEKONG

NORTH & THE MEKONG.**DAY 05**

TH · CNX

Elephant sanctuary

Full-day ethical sanctuary – feeding, bathing, bamboo rafting, waterfall swim. Thai buffet included.

★ MEAL INCL

DAY 06

TH · CR

White & blue temples

Minivan north to Chiang Rai (~3.5h). All-white Wat Rong Khun + electric-blue Wat Rong Suea Ten. Night Bazaar food crawl.

MOVE · 3.5H

DAY 07

★ SLOW BOAT

Mekong • day one

Cross the Friendship Bridge into Huay Xai. 2-day downstream slow boat. Sunset in Pakbeng.

MOVE · 8H

DAY 08

★ SLOW BOAT

Mekong • day two

Limestone canyons, river villages, into UNESCO Luang Prabang by 16:30. Night market for dinner.

MOVE · 8H

● LUANG PRABANG → HANOI

LAOS INTO VIETNAM.**DAY 09**

LA · LPB

Alms + Kuang Si + Phousi

05:00 Tak Bat – silently witness the monks' alms-giving. Scoot to the turquoise tiers of Kuang Si Falls. Mt Phousi for 360° sunset.

★ SCOOTER

DAY 10

LA · VTV

HSR → Vang Vieng

Afternoon HSR south through 70+ tunnels at 160 km/h. Under an hour to Vang Vieng. Late swim at Blue Lagoon 3.

MOVE · 55M

DAY 11

★ BORDER BUS

Kayak + 22h sleeper

Morning kayak on the Nam Song. 16:30 board the VIP sleeper bus to Hanoi. Sleep through the mountain crossing.

MOVE · 22H

DAY 12

VN · HAN

Hanoi Old Quarter

Hoan Kiem Lake, Huc Bridge, Ngoc Son Temple. Evening on Train Street – the train passes inches from cafe tables.

◎ HANOI → HỘI AN

SEA & LANTERNS.**DAY 13**

VN · HAN

French Qtr + puppets

French Quarter, Hoa Lo Prison, street-coffee culture.
Evening Thang Long water puppet show with live musicians.

DAY 14

★ CRUISE + TRAIN

Ha Long → sleeper south

Pre-dawn limo bus to Ha Long. Full-day Lan Ha Bay cruise: kayak under arches, cave swim, seafood lunch.
20:10 Reunification Express south.

★ MEAL INCL

MOVE · 16H

DAY 15

VN · DAD

Da Nang + Dragon Bridge

Midday at Da Nang station. Hostel near My Khe Beach.
The Dragon Bridge breathes fire and water at 9pm – free show.

DAY 16

VN · HOI

Hai Van Pass ride

Greatest coastal ride in SE Asia. Lady Buddha, switchbacks, drop into lantern-lit Hội An by sunset.
Backpacks travel by van.

★ SCOOTER

◎ HỘI AN → SIEM REAP

ACROSS THE BORDER.**DAY 17**

VN · HOI

Basket boats + cooking

Spinning bamboo basket boats in Cam Thanh. Market sourcing. Vietnamese cooking masterclass – cook your own dinner.

★ MEAL INCL

DAY 18

VN · HOI

Marble Mtns + Golden Bridge

Caves and pagodas inside Marble Mountains. Cable car up Ba Na Hills to walk the Golden Bridge – held aloft by two giant stone hands.

★ SCOOTER

DAY 19

★ BORDER BUS

Vietnam → Cambodia

08:00 VIP sleeper bus west out of Hội An. ~18h overland push across the border. Arrive Siem Reap ~02:00.

MOVE · 18H

DAY 20

KH · REP

Siem Reap recovery

Sleep in. Old Market wander, hostel pool, town stroll. Pub Street chaos at night – tomorrow you're up at 04:30.

● ANGKOR → KOH RONG

ANGKOR & THE FORK.**DAY 21**

KH · REP

Angkor Wat sunrise

04:30 tuk-tuk fleet to Angkor for dawn. Bayon, Ta Prohm's strangler figs, outer temples. Pub Street farewell.

● FORK POINT · DAY 22 MORNING

21-DAY GROUP FLIES HOME

Extension group continues south.

DAY 22

KH · PNH

Phnom Penh + S-21

Express minivan south (~5.5h). Straight to Tuol Sleng (S-21) and Choeung Ek Killing Fields with survivor audio.

MOVE · 5.5H

DAY 23

★ BUS + FERRY

→ **Koh Rong Island**

Early shuttle to the port. Express bus to Sihanoukville. Speed-ferry to Koh Rong's white sand. Beach BBQ.

MOVE · 5.5H

◎ KOH RONG → SAIGON

PEPPER & THE BORDER.**DAY 24**

KH · KRG

Bioluminescent plankton

Beach volleyball at Long Set. After dark, longtail boat into pitch-black water to swim with glowing blue plankton.

DAY 25

★ FERRY + VAN

Arcadia, Kampot

Ferry back, bus east to Kampot. Check in to Arcadia Backpackers – riverfront waterpark, free for guests.

MOVE · 5H

DAY 26

KH · KMT

Pepper farms + mangrove

Scoot to organic Kampot pepper plantations – the spice Michelin kitchens want. Afternoon kayak the Green Cathedral.

★ SCOOTER

DAY 27

★ BORDER BUS

→ Ho Chi Minh City

07:15 east via Prek Chak / Ha Tien crossing directly into HCMC District 1. Evening street-food crawl on Bui Vien.

MOVE · 8.25H

◎ THE FINAL STRETCH

THE FINAL THREE.**DAY 28**

VN · SGN

Mekong Delta

Hand-rowed sampans through jungle streams, fruit orchards, traditional river-market life. Southern delta set lunch included.

★ MEAL INCL

DAY 29

VN · SGN

HCMC free day

Saigon on your own – War Remnants Museum, Reunification Palace, Ben Thanh Market, rooftop bars, the best Vietnamese coffee in the country.

DAY 30

VN · SGN

The final departure

Last group check-out. Shared van to Tân Sơn Nhất Airport (SGN). Flights home booked by you – sobbing optional.

~ goa wapas nahi jaana ~

● PAISA DO, BUS LO

TWO TIERS. NO BS.

● TIER 01

THE CHHOTA TASTER

₹1,50,000 / person

21 days · 4 countries · 17 hostel nights · 4 sleeper nights · 4 scooter days · 3 included meals. Group: 12 max + Subodh. Bangkok → Siem Reap.

★ Popular

● TIER 02

THE POORA SCENE

₹2,00,000 / person

30 days · 4 countries · 25 hostel nights · 4 sleeper nights · 5 scooter days · 4 included meals. Adds: Phnom Penh, Koh Rong, Kampot, Saigon, Mekong Delta.

◎ IN THE PRICE

WHAT'S COVERED.

- ✦ Every hostel bed on the route, in pre-vetted desi-friendly hostels
- ✦ Every intercity sleeper train, sleeper bus, slow boat, ferry and high-speed rail ticket
- ✦ Every station shuttle, tuk-tuk transfer and ferry-pier pickup
- ✦ Scooter rentals + fuel pool on the four (taster) or five (full) riding days
- ✦ Every entry ticket named in the day-by-day – Doi Suthep, Kuang Si, Ngoc Son, water puppets, Ha Long cruise, Marble Mtns, Ba Na Hills, Angkor Wat, S-21, plankton trip, Mekong Delta
- ✦ Three (taster) or four (full) activity-linked meals
- ✦ Visa logistics – paperwork help, queue walk-throughs, fee pool for TH + LA + KH + VN
- ✦ Subodh, every single day, from arrival in BKK to your departure

◎ NOT IN THE PRICE

WHAT'S ON YOU.

- × Your flights to Bangkok at the start, and home from Siem Reap (21-day) or Ho Chi Minh City (30-day)
- × Daily food and drinks outside the included meals – budget ₹400-800/day, comfortably
- × Personal nightlife transit (the Grab home from the bar at 2am is on you)
- × Shopping, market hauls, tailored shirts in Hội An, that scarf in Luang Prabang
- × Travel insurance (mandatory – bring proof at the start)
- × Any side-quests outside the itinerary (a tattoo in Bangkok, a Pai detour)
- × Tips for guides, drivers and cooks, where genuinely deserved
- × That long phone call home when you decide to extend by a week

◎ WHO RUNS THIS

**SUBODH.**

FOUNDER · LEAD GUIDE

On the road since 2019. 50+ countries, 6 continents. Founded Bananarchy in 2026 to run the trips he wished he'd had at 24.

SAFE HAI?

Safer than driving on the Outer Ring Road at rush hour. We move in a group, on well-trodden routes, with someone who has done all of this many times over.

PEHLI BAAR ABROAD. WILL I COPE?

That is literally the point. By day five you're bargaining tuk-tuks in three languages.

VEG HOON, WILL I STARVE?

No. Pad thai swaps tofu, Lao buffets are 80% greens, Hội An is full of veg cafes. Subodh keeps a working list of veg, jain and halal spots.

ITINERARY SET IN STONE?

Set in spirit, not stone. Weather, borders, festivals – we huddle as a group and decide the new line.

● VISA CHEAT-SHEET • INDIAN
PASSPORT**HUM SAB
DEKH LENGE.****THAILAND**

PREP TOGETHER

E-Visa required (visa-free policy ended 2026). We send the link + photo specs. Approves in 7-14 days.

LAOS

FEE COVERED

Visa-on-arrival at Huay Xai land border. USD 30-40 cash + 2 passport photos. Walk-through with Subodh.

VIETNAM

PREP TOGETHER

E-Visa, single-entry (21d) or multi-entry (30d, re-enters Day 27). Approves in 3-5 days.

CAMBODIA

FEE COVERED

E-Visa or Visa-on-Arrival, USD 30. We pre-fill the e-visa together two weeks before departure.

You bring: valid Indian passport, 6 months' validity past your return date, 6 blank pages.

● ONE 40-60L BACKPACK

WHAT TO PACK.**WEAR + CARRY**

- ☐ 40-60L backpack
- ☐ Daypack 15-20L
- ☐ Walking shoes + sandals
- ☐ Quick-dry shirts × 5
- ☐ Shorts × 3, trousers × 2
- ☐ 1 modest set for temples
- ☐ Swimwear + rain shell
- ☐ Light fleece
- ☐ Sunglasses + hat

THE KIT

- ☐ Microfibre towel
- ☐ 2 padlocks
- ☐ 20000mAh power bank
- ☐ Universal adapter
- ☐ Earplugs + sleep mask
- ☐ Filter water bottle
- ☐ 10L dry bag
- ☐ Headtorch (Angkor)

HEALTH

- ☐ Travel insurance proof
- ☐ Passport + 6 copies
- ☐ 6 passport photos
- ☐ ORS, Imodium, paracetamol
- ☐ DEET 30%+ repellent
- ☐ Sunscreen SPF 50+
- ☐ Prescription meds in pkg

DESI

- ☐ 2 ATM cards, diff banks
- ☐ USD 200 small notes
- ☐ Small jar of aachaar
- ☐ Indian SIM (Day 1)
- ☐ Journal or sketchbook
- ☐ 1 nice shirt (farewell)

FOUR STEPS. NO FORMS.

01.

★ WHATSAPP SUBODH

Tell him which trip, when, and one true thing about yourself.

02.

★ 15-MIN CHAT

Voice or video. He answers questions, you answer his.

03.

★ HOLD YOUR SEAT

₹25,000 refundable deposit. Balance 30 days before departure.

04.

★ PAPERWORK

Cohort group, visa checklist, BKK landing window.

● TAP TO OPEN WHATSAPP

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